REMARKS

The new claims mirror the reasons for patentability in the International Preliminary Examination Report for International application No. PCT/US01/45861, International filing date December 19, 2001, Priority date December 19, 2000, section 2. Citations and Explanations. Marked up copies of the claims showing the amendments are attached to this amendment.

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28. (New) A computer-implemented method comprising:

selecting a first promotion determined to be more relevant to a consumer based on purchase history data;

determining a second promotion determined to be less relevant to said consumer based upon said purchase history data;

pairing said first promotion with said second promotion; and providing the paired promotions to said consumer.

29. (New) A system for selecting a first promotion determined to be more relevant to a consumer based on purchase history data, a second promotion determined to be less relevant to said consumer based upon said purchase history, and pairing the first and second promotions, comprising:

a computer system;

a database storing said purchase history data such that said purchase history data is accessible by said computer system;

code implemented on said computer system for determining said first promotion, and said second promotion, and for pairing said first promotion with said second promotion; and structure for outputting data indicating the paired promotions.

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